

THE TOWNS AROUND.

BARNET.

Anna Perry was at St. Johnsbury over Sunday with her brother, William Perry. Chester L. Somers has finished his time with Coming Somers and is looking for a job.

Quite a number attended the lecture by Sam Jones at St. Johnsbury last Tuesday evening.

There is a very good display of Christmas goods at Laughlin's.

Ira J. Albee is moving this week his stock of goods from his store at South Peacham to the Robert Esdon store near the depot. He is also moving his household goods.

At the annual election of officers of the Y. P. S. C. E. the following officers and committees were chosen: Pres., Bertha J. Stevens; vice pres., Maggie Smith; sec. and treas., Nellie L. Harris; supt. of juniors, Edith H. Wallace; assistant supt. of juniors, Bertha J. Stevens; prayer meeting committee, Alice M. Smith, Nellie L. Harris, Mabel L. Brock, Maggie Smith, Mrs. Ella Johnson; look-out committee, Chester L. Somers, Robina L. Laughlin, Mrs. Jos. Boardman; social committee, Bertha J. Stevens, Maggie Smith, Mrs. Bert Holbrook; flower committee, Edith H. Wallace, Olive Morrill, Virgie Whitehill; music committee, Bertha J. Stevens, Mabel L. Brock, Nellie S. Laughlin; missionary committee, Julian P. Laughlin, Mrs. Bert Holbrook, Hattie Chapman; temperance committee, Alice M. Smith, Nellie L. Harris, Abbie Chapman; church collectors, Julian P. Laughlin, Maud Bailey; Christian Endeavor collectors, Sadie Martin, Chester L. Somers, Christian Endeavorers, cut this list out and keep for reference.

William Ritchie of Ryegate has hired out with William S. Brock.

Mr. and Mrs. Chase of Boston, Mass., who have been visiting friends in town, were with Mrs. Chase's cousin, Miss Julia S. Johnson last Monday.

Papa and mamma buys our Xmas toys at Randall's.

EAST BARNET.

Rev. Mr. Pierce, who has been holding meetings here has closed them for the present.

Miss Laura Nelson has gone back to Barton to her school again this term.

Miss Louise Clement is teaching here again this term.

There are four going to school to McIndoes from here this term, Blanche Newman, Walter Kendall and Luella and Florence Dickinson.

The Roy Bros. are very busy now. They have commenced on their croquet orders and with all the other work, finishing up their new house, etc., makes pretty lively times.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quimby are rejoicing over the arrival of a ten pound boy.

DANVILLE.

Charles Wilson was taken suddenly ill last Friday with an attack of paralysis and is still confined to his bed.

Nathan Page, who has been very ill for some time with abscess of the lungs, is failing.

Ellsworth Woodard's baby, Susie, is very ill with pneumonia.

Charles Ingalls and Frank Perkins are attending court at St. Johnsbury as jurors.

Dr. N. C. B. Haviland has returned from a short trip to Boston.

The union revival meetings, conducted by Rev. J. M. Buffum, will be held at the Methodist church for the present. The meetings are well attended and prove helpful to all who attend.

At the annual meeting of Diamond Chapter, No. 14, O. E. S., held Wednesday evening of last week, the following officers were elected: Mrs. C. S. Dole, W. M.; F. A. Crane, W. P.; Mrs. Dr. O. E. Carter, A. M.; Dr. N. C. B. Haviland, treasurer; Mrs. A. B. Hoyt, Sec.; Mrs. S. O. Morse, conductress; Mrs. C. S. Wilcox, Asso. conductress; Mrs. C. S. Ranney, Adah; Mrs. Fred Webb, Ruth; Mrs. J. H. Fisher, Esther; Mrs. A. W. Merrill, Martha; Mrs. Dr. Haviland, Electa; Mrs. C. H. Wilson, warder; Mrs. J. S. Tilton, chaplain; Mrs. H. M. Osgood, marshal; Alfred Webb, sentinel.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of Washburn Lodge, F. and A. M., last Wednesday evening: Charles H. Mattocks, W. M.; James Wilcox, S. W.; John E. Tinker, J. W.; Charles S. Dole, Treas.; Anson B. Hoyt, Sec.; Ashley J. Goss, S. D.; Alfred Webb, J. D.; George Armstrong, John H. Brickett, stewards; Rev. Fred E. Currier, chaplain; B. Harvey Brown, marshal; Charles H. Wilson, organist; Charles Ingalls, tyler; Charles H. Wilson, Dr. N. C. B. Haviland, John E. Tinker, financial committee; Gardner J. Sanborn, William Waldo, Stephen O. Morse, Griev. Com.

All Danville is rushing to Randall's for holiday goods.

NORTH DANVILLE.

Mrs. Mitta Batchelder has returned from a visit to friends in Wheelock and Sheffield.

A. Daniels of Wheelock was in the place Tuesday.

George Wells is more comfortable than for a few days past.

John Chalmers has finished work for C. E. Morse and is at home.

George H. Stanton is quite sick with erysipelas in the face.

Guy Clifford is attending Barbour's business college at St. Johnsbury.

Aaron Ward and family, who went to Connecticut to live a year ago, are visiting relatives about here.

The Jr. O. U. A. M. gave a cobweb social and oyster supper at the hall Wednesday evening. About \$12 was realized and a good time enjoyed.

LYNDON.

Misses Henrietta Chase, Caro Mattocks and Grace Fisk and Mrs. Burton returned Saturday from Boston where they had spent the week.

Rev. L. H. Elliot, Bible agent, occupied the Congregational church pulpit last Sunday morning and the Methodist pulpit in the evening.

The old Spencer marble shop has been thoroughly repaired and Carl Clark now has a tin shop there in working order.

J. G. Hadley, who has been sick, is now out and is fitting up a store in the same building with a 10 and 25 cent counter.

Miss Jennie Chase assisted at a concert given before the students of Northfield seminary Monday evening by the Ladies Schubert Quartette of Boston. She gave two piano solos, "Grillon, Op. 12," by Schumann and "Minuetto," by Schubert.

LYNDONVILLE.

The village trustees have been doing a good job on Musichall. Two new Murkland furnaces will hereafter heat the hall in a satisfactory manner. The attic floor space over the auditorium has been covered with builders' paper, making an air space between the thin plastering and the paper, which will prevent a large amount of the heat from making its way as heretofore into the attic where it does no good. This will also save fuel. W. S. Grant's force of painters have put three coats of paint on the outside of the block in colors which make it shine with any building in the village. The entry room and auditorium have been painted and frescoed. The cost of all the repairs will not exceed \$600 and the trustees, Chase, Paige and Shorey are entitled to credit for the thoroughness with which the work has been done at such a low figure. The Union's suggestions for stage improvements are good. One or two small dressing rooms, new scenery and the old repaired is a good idea. The trustees have an eye on these improvements and a concert by home talent to raise money for them. When the time comes the orchestra, band, dramatists and quartettes are ready to take hold and help.

Eight or ten from here attended the Sam Jones lecture at St. Johnsbury Tuesday evening and were greatly pleased with it. They all extend thanks to W. H. Ford, trainmaster, for holding the mixed train north till the close of the lecture.

Contractor George E. Gookin will build a house on the north lot on Park avenue next spring and A. D. Paige will build one just south of him. When these two new houses are erected every lot on that street will be occupied with modern and pretty houses. In the course of time, when the shade trees get their full growth, it will be about the prettiest street in the village.

The rehearsals of "The Merry Cyclers" are progressing finely. Among the soloists in the play are Mrs. Morrison, Misses Carrie Eaton, Bessie DeMuth and Clara Sterns, M. J. Lyster and Bert Balch. The parts are all well assigned and good work by the different ones is being done. The entertainment will be given some time in January.

M. L. Stearns was in Connecticut last week on business connected with the electric light plant.

Homer Wilson and wife spent part of last week in Boston.

Take electric every hour for Randall's holiday display.

The new Episcopal rectory is finished and now occupied by Rev. Stephen Alving. His mother from Orange, N. J., will soon come here and keep house for him.

An accident to some of the machinery at the electric light station last week Wednesday shut off all the lights for that evening. The entertainment by the Episcopal Guild advertised for that evening was postponed and given this week Wednesday evening. A good audience was present and enjoyed "The Martyrdom of St. Ursula," as presented by the society. There was also singing by M. J. Lyster and Miss Demuth and piano solos by Misses Stern and Walter. A promenade followed the entertainment.

The order of Eastern Star elected the following officers at their meeting Tuesday evening: Patron, W. H. Ford; matron, Mrs. J. C. Eaton; associate matron, Mrs. Dr. Davis; conductress, Mrs. L. F. Edgerton; associate conductress, Mrs. W. H. Ford; Sec., E. L. Wells; Treas., Mrs. Howe. A large number were present. After the meeting a social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Annual meeting of the Northern Caledonian Fair association stockholders at the Union House next week Saturday, at 1.30 p. m.

The law firm of Gleason & Gage has been dissolved. Gleason now has his office at his residence on South street and Gage retains the rooms in Masonic block occupied by the old firm.

LYNDON CENTER.

The Institute opened its winter term last Monday. The enrollment of students is not large but a successful school term is assured.

A brother of T. N. Vail has arrived from the west and will take charge of the Speedwell Farms.

MCINDOE FALLS.

George Dimick of Colebrook, N. H., was at C. L. Duncan's last week.

J. M. Gibson sold his furniture and household goods at auction last Thursday afternoon.

Rev. K. H. Basmajian, a native Armenian, gave his illustrated lecture entertainment on Armenia, Turkey and Constantinople last Wednesday evening in the Academy hall.

P. H. Van Dyke, wife, Master Silo, Jr., and Miss Abbie were in Boston last week.

Miss A. M. Carr is getting out her Christmas goods this week.

Fred Daniels, who has been quite sick with pneumonia, is improving.

The Academy scholars have formed a literary society and a glee club.

PASSUMPSIC.

Death of Judge E. A. Parks.

Judge Ezra A. Parks, who has been in failing health for several months, passed away early last Saturday evening. Judge Parks was born at Passumpsic in 1821 and married Louisa M. Thayer in 1844, who died in 1890. Three children survive him, Charles E. Parks and Mrs. Henry Steele of Somerville, Mass., and Mrs. R. B. Eastman of Brooklyn, N. Y. Judge Parks was identified with many interests in this county and always took an active part in public affairs. He was elected side judge of Caledonia county in 1860-61, represented Waterford in the legislature in 1870, was presidential elector in 1892, trustee of Passumpsic savings bank ten years. From its earliest history he had been interested in the Caledonia county fair and for many years president of the Fair Ground Co. He was a familiar person at each annual fair and worked early and late for its success. His life-long residence in Passumpsic and his business relations in St. Johnsbury made him one of the best known men in this section and his success as a farmer was owing to habits of industry, business sagacity and a desire to do nothing unless it was done well. The funeral was held at his late residence on Tuesday morning.

Rev. Krikor Hagop Basmajian, formerly of Constantinople and a native Armenian, preached in the Baptist church last Sunday morning and evening. He also gave an illustrated lecture on Armenia, Turkey and Constantinople Monday evening. His addresses were very interesting, his style pleasing, and his pictures of oriental life, people, buildings, etc.,

were viewed with much pleasure by quite a large audience.

The Christian Endeavor society will hold a poverty social at the vestry on Thursday evening, Dec. 16. Every one is invited and prizes will be given to those appearing in the most poverty-stricken apparel.

A family of the name of Rowell will move here from Morrisville soon. Mr. Rowell is to work in the pulp mill.

Mrs. Mary A. Woods went to Bethlehem, Penn., last Tuesday to spend the winter with her son Fred S. Woods.

In the death of Judge E. A. Parks this community loses one of its best known and oldest residents and one who was actively concerned in the affairs of local interest. We are again reminded that the old residents are fast passing away.

No fancy prices on Randall's holiday goods.

RYEGATE.

Lillie Symes, who has been quite ill, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Carrie Nelson has raised thirty dollars for the family of Mr. Howe, who has been severely afflicted.

Jacob Symes of Boston is caring for his aged mother, Mrs. Phebe Symes.

J. A. McLam took a carload of hogs to Boston Monday.

Mrs. G. G. Nelson and daughter spent Sunday at Woodsville with her sister.

The school has been in session one week. We consider it a fortunate thing for the district that the same teacher is retained.

The L. M. S. met at Mrs. Beattie's Thursday afternoon. After the usual exercises the missionary barrel was packed. The call was well responded to and many nice and valuable articles of food and clothing were given. Testaments and other reading matter, until the barrel was filled no overflowing. It was priced at thirty dollars and sent to Isabel Nelson, Chicago.

G. G. Nelson was in Boston the first of the week on a business trip.

Mrs. W. W. Wright is in town adjusting her affairs at Fairview, preparatory to W. T. McLam's taking possession.

J. R. W. Beattie was in St. Johnsbury Saturday on business.

A. M. Wright was in town the first of the week.

ST. JOHNSBURY EAST.

The village school commenced Monday with 37 pupils.

P. L. Hasford has sold his milk route and 20 cows to Luman Ladd.

Mrs. P. A. Brown fell on the ice Wednesday and sprained her arm quite badly.

Several from this place attended the county Christian Endeavor convention at Danville last week. Rev. G. W. Patterson and Miss Mertie Hovey gave interesting reports Sunday evening.

The base of the Grout monument, being built in Victory by George Storey, is completed and was taken to Grove cemetery last week. It weighed six tons.

Caught on at last—where to go for holiday goods at Randall's.

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ST. JOHNSBURY CENTRE.

Capt. Lillie Wilson and Lieut. Nellie Bacon, the Salvation Army officers at St. Johnsbury, have kindly consented to hold a meeting at the Methodist church this evening at 7.30 o'clock. It is expected that they will conduct a meeting every Friday evening in our village until further notice. Come and hear them. It will do you good.

Only three miles to Randall's holiday sale.

The Universal ladies will hold their annual sale Thursday, Dec. 23, afternoon and evening. Fancy and useful articles will be on sale.

The pupils of the grammar school will give an entertainment in Grange hall next Wednesday evening. Mrs. Jarley will exhibit her "was fight her" and there will be literary exercises and a "C" supper. Proceeds for benefit of the school.

Arrangements are being made for a Christmas tree and exercises at the Congregational church.

Dea. and Mrs. E. H. Stone left Tuesday for their winter home in Huntington, Fla. They will make a short stop in Boston and vicinity visiting relatives.

Green Mountain Grange elected the following officers Saturday evening: Master, Tracy Willey; overseer, Herbert Farnham; secretary, Albert Lawrence.

Rev. A. C. Cole has returned and was in his pulpit again last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Hallett and Mrs. Jesse Gage attended the state grange meeting at Springfield this week.

Subject at the Methodist church next Sunday evening will be "Success for Common Folks." The service will be at 7 o'clock.

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